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HOUSE RESOLUTION 309 By Armstrong

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the Vine Middle
Performing Arts & Science Magnet School Choir
on an outstanding performance in the Fiesta-Val
National Choir Competition.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause and recognize those outstanding young people who, through diligent effort and unwavering dedication, have developed their natural talents during rigorous competition and brought great honor to this State; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy group of young people is the Vine Middle Performing

Arts & Science Magnet School Choir of Knoxville, which recently competed in the Fiesta-Val

National Choir Competition; and

WHEREAS, pitted against talented middle school choirs from all over the nation, the Vine Middle School students utilized their tremendous vocal abilities to emerge victorious in all three of the competition's categories; and

WHEREAS, the Vine Middle School Choir earned First Place honors in the categories of Show Choir, Mixed Choir, and Gospel Choir with their remarkable performances of such

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WHEREAS, this group was composed of many talented vocalists, many of whom garnered individual awards and honors, including Jasper Sawyer, who won the award for Outstanding Soloist; and

WHEREAS, in addition, sixth-grader, Brandon Coffey, earned Outstanding Pianist Accompaniment honors; and

WHEREAS, this outstanding choir of young people is directed by the highly respected Ms. Jill Hobby; and

WHEREAS, the Vine Middle School Choir has enjoyed the unwavering support of their school's administrators, faculty, and student body; and

WHEREAS, the level of excellence attained by this phenomenal choral program is a tribute to the hard work and dedication of its director and vocalists and deserves special recognition; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we honor and congratulate the director and members of the Vine Middle Performing Arts & Science Magnet School Choir for their outstanding performance in the Fiesta-Val National Choir Competition and wish them much continued success in all their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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